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1. ARTICLE IV.7; ARTICLE X - TRUSOV (TO ROWNY, A-929) TOLD ROWNY THAT THE SOVIETS DID NOT ENVISAGE HAVING MORE THAN ONE MISSILE FOR EACH LAUNCHER EXCEPT FOR A REASONABLE NUMBER REQUIRED FOR NORMAL MAINTENANCE, TRAINING OR REPLACEMENT (ARTICLE IV, PARA 7(A)). BELETSKY SAID THAT HE WAS HAPPY TO HEAR THAT US FORMULATION DID NOT REQUIRE ANY CHANGE TO EXISTING LAUNCH TECHNIQUES. TRUSOV ASKED IF US HAD ANY PROPOSED CHANGES TO THEIR FORMULATION IN ARTICLE X. ROWNY SAID THAT AMBASSADOR JOHNSON WOULD SHORTLY BE TURNING OVER A PROPOSED ADDITION TO THEIR PROVISION ON ORBITAL SYSTEMS, SIMPLY ADDING THE IDEA OF FRACTIONAL ORBITAL SYSTEMS. ROWNY ASKED TRUSOV IF THIS WOULD GIVE THE SOVIET SIDE ANY DIFFICULTY. TRUSOV SAID HE DID NOT THINK SO, BUT THAT US PROPOSAL WOULD BE GIVEN CAREFUL STUDY. BELETSKY ASKED ROWNY IF HE HAD HEARD CORRECTLY THAT US WAS NOT CALLING FOR CHANGES TO EXISTING SOVIET LAUNCH PRACTICES. ROWNY SAID HE HAD UNDERSTOOD CORRECTLY; US WAS NOT SEEKING TO

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CAUSE THE SOVIETS TO CHANGE THEIR COLD-LAUNCH TECHNIQUE. US

OBJECTIVE WAS TO PREVENT A POSSIBLE CIRCUMVENTION OF THE INTENT OF THE NEW AGREEMENT.

2. ARTICLE XVII.3 - IN MAY-SHCHUKIN BILATERAL (A-930), SHCHUKIN SAID THAT THE RUSSIAN WORDS FOR DELIBERATE CONCEALMENT MEASURES INCLUDE WITHIN THEIR MEANING "EVERYTHING WHICH IS DONE ON PURPOSE TO HIDE OR DISGUISE ANYTHING FORBIDDEN BY THE AGREEMENT." MAY NOTED THAT, IN ADDITION, THE "HIDING OR DISGUIISING FROM NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS OF ANYTHING NEEDED TO VERIFY COMPLIANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT" WAS TO BE FORBIDDEN. SHCHUKIN AGREED AND SEVERAL TIMES EXPRESSED THAT THE FOREGOING PHRASES COMPRISE THE MEANING OF THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE SOVIET VERSION OF PARA 3 OF ARTICLE XVII. SHCHUKIN FURTHER SAID THAT PERHAPS AGREEMENT BETWEEN INTERPRETERS WAS NECESSARY TO INSURE THAT THE FULL MEANING OF THE RUSSIAN PHRASE FOR "DELIBERATE CONCEALMENT MEASURES" WAS WELL UNDERSTOOD. HE EMPHASIZED IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO FIND RUSSIAN WORDS THAT WOULD BETTER CONVEY THE SENSE OF THOSE PHRASES THAN THE SOVIET PROPOSED LANGUAGE IN ARTICLE XVII.3.

3. ARTICLE XVIII - SHCHUKIN RETURNED TO THE CONTENTION HE EXPRESSED AT LAST BILATERAL THAT THE NONDELIBERATE IMPEDING OF VERIFICATION COULD BE DEALT WITH BY SCC UNDER ARTICLE XVIII. MAY ASKED WHETHER SHCHUKIN WAS SAYING THAT, IN HIS OPINION, NOT ONLY QUESTIONS ABOUT UNINTENDED ACTIVE INTERFERENCE BUT ALSO NONDELIBERATE IMPEDING OF VERIFICATION COULD BE TAKEN UP BY SCC UNDER ARTICLE XVIII. SHCHUKIN SAID THAT SCC COULD ADDRESS ITSELF TO UNCERTAINTIES REGARDING ALL TYPES OF NONDELIBERATE ACTIVITIES. HE EMPHASIED, HOWEVER, THAT IF THE ACTIVITIES WERE NOT DELIBERATELY CARRIED OUT TO CONCEAL, THE SIDES SHOULD NOT BE OBLIGATED TO CHANGE THEM. JOHNSON

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